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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF, FOREIGN DOCUMENTS BRANCH

SUBJECT: Russian Machine Industry

has asked me to bring to your attention the following items on the above subject which may be of interest to Foreign Documents Branch:

1. The publication "VESTNIK MASHINOSTROYENIYA" (Sp.7), Bulletin of Machine Building Industry, which is said to contain important information.

2. A report on Russian Automotive Industry, currently being prepared under the auspices of the School of Engineering at Princeton University. This will be published in the Journal of the Society of Automotive Engineers, which is doubtless available in the Library of Congress.

Material on this subject is considered of particular intelligence value, since the amount and quantity of motor vehicle production in Russia will directly affect the current Soviet afforts toward mechanization of their army, and may be a critical factor in estimating Soviet military capabilities.

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